

“CITIZEN RIDE-ALONG PROGRAM”

The Warrenton Police Department “Citizen Ride-Along Program is a component of the department’s community oriented policing strategy focused on fostering opportunities for our citizens to become more familiar and understanding of the role our police officers play in the community. The “Ride-Along Program” provides an opportunity for you to spend some time with a police officer as he/she goes about their duties providing police services to our city. You will ride with the officer, observe them as they engage in activities such as: calls for service response, traffic monitoring and enforcement, criminal investigations and public order control. While we believe this experience is one you will enjoy and learn more about policing and our community as a whole, there are some safety rules we must ask you to follow, in order to provide for your safety and that of the officer you are with:

All persons participating in the “Ride-Along Program” must be at least eighteen (18) years of age. (Special consideration may be given to those under 18 in consultation with parents and the Chief of Police where liability release is concerned).

- You must at all times adhere to the instructions that the officer gives you.
- You shall not bring any type of weapon whatsoever with you on the ride-along. You will be asked by the officer if you have any weapon in your possession and if so, you will not be allowed to participate in the program.
- All ride-along participants shall be in proper neat and clean attire. Shorts, T-shirts and baseball caps are not allowed.
- Any ride-along participant that fails to adhere to the instructions of the police officer he/she is riding with shall be returned to the police station and shall not be allowed to participate in the “Ride-Along Program” in the future.
- No person can participate in the “Ride-Along Program” more than once every sixty days unless the Chief of Police gives special authorization.
- The Police Department has the right to refuse any person to participate in the “Ride-Along Program without cause.

The “Ride-Along Program” is open to residents of Fauquier County only. (Special consideration will be given to potential police officer candidates or student interns).

“CITIZEN RIDE-ALONG” APPLICATION

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Occupation: _____

Requested Date and Time of Ride-Along: _____

Why do you desire to participate in the Warrenton Police Department “Ride-Along Program”?

(Ride-Along participants may ride-along for no longer than eight (8) hours at a time)

Police Supervisor Signature

Date

Police Officer Participant Signature

Date